Mr. E. P. Varghese: May I know on what principle extension is granted ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Physical and mental capacity, character, and merits are all taken into consideration.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai (*Municipal Council*): May I know whether the principle is applied to the case of individuals having technical qualifications or others ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: It applies to all.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether in the case of non-technical men, their services, are indispensible even after they reach fifty-five ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: In some cases Government may find it necessary to grant extension to such men also.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai; What are the grounds on which extension is given ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: I have already given the answer to that question.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether Government have retired persons who have got capacity at the age of fifty-five ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Government may have done so for other reasons.

Trespass on lands near the grazing ground in Cheranallur pakuthi.

157 ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether most of the roads and lanes leading to the grazing ground in Survey No. 351/1 in Cheranallur pakuthi are completely blocked up by trespassers ;

(*b*) whether major portion of the grass growing plot in that ground has been trespassed upon by the public at large and cultivated and made difficult for cattle to graze ;

(*c*) whether most of the tanks that lay in the slopes of the grazing ground and used by cattle for drinking purposes have been trespessed upon, levelled and made unfit for retaining water and whether there are any tanks now existing in the grazing ground ;

(*d*) what is the total extent of the trespass and what is the nature of the plot trespassed upon ; and

(*e*) what is the total extent of the plot covered by granite in the grazing ground ?

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Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) There were 37 encroachments on the grazing block comprising an area of 49 acres 23½ cents.

(*e*) About 130 acres.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: With reference to answer to part (*a*), may I know whether any of the roads are blocked up?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: Government have no information to that effect.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know on what foundation Government give that answer?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: On the information furnished by the officers under them.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: Sir, I may be permitted to state that I have visited the locality and found that most of the roads are blocked up.

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: Officers having jurisdiction in the matter have been asked to enquire into the matter. They did so and submitted a report.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know when they submitted the report?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: I claim notice.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: With reference to answer to part (*b*) may I know whether any portion has been trespassed upon and cultivated by the public?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: No.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: What is the basis for that statement?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: The same which I have already stated.

Prohibition of Government Officers from accepting Public Addresses.

158 ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai**: Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether there is any circular order prohibiting a Government officer from accepting public address or send-off;

(*b*) If so, whether any instance of violation of that circular order has been brought to their notice during the last three years; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, what action have they taken against such officers who have received address or send-off?

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